

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 98-224-W - ORDER NO. 98-494

JULY 1, 1998

IN RE: Application of Blue Ribbon Water)	ORDER
Corporation for Approval to Deed its)	GRANTING
Willowbrook Subdivision's Water System to)	TRANSFER
River View Water District.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Application of Blue Ribbon Water Corp. (Blue Ribbon or the Company) for approval to transfer ownership of Willowbrook Water System to the River View Water District.

The Commission's Executive Director, by letter, directed the Company to publish, one time, a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas, and also to send the Notice to each affected customer by U.S. Mail. Blue Ribbon furnished an affidavit showing that it had complied with the directions of the Executive Director. The Company also notified the Department of Health and Environmental Control of the transfer. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene were received.

Accordingly, the Company requests waiver of the hearing and approval of the transfer.

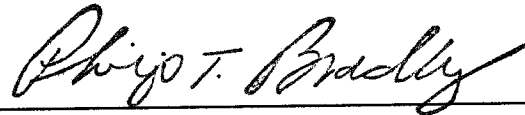
Regulation 103-704 governs the transfer. In approving a transfer, we must issue a certificate, finding that the sale is in the public interest. The Regulation also requires a "due hearing." However, Regulation 103-701 states that where compliance with any of

these rules and regulations introduces unusual difficulty, such rules or regulations may be waived by the Commission upon a finding by this Commission that such waiver is in the public interest. We believe that waiver of the due hearing requirement is in the public interest in this case in order to expedite the transfer.

We have examined the full record in this case, and believe that the required certificate should be issued, as the transfer is certainly in the public interest. The transfer is approved as filed.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:



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Executive Director

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